

FORCED TO WITHDRAW

German Retreat Before Fresh Russian Troops in Poland

BERLIN ADMITS THE SETBACK

Russian General Staff Claims Successes in East Prussia, Russian Poland and Galicia—All Attacks on Czar's Lines Reported Repulsed. Teuton Allies Lose a Four-Day Battle Near the Piltza River.

London, Oct. 29.—The German and Austrian troops in Poland, according to an official announcement in Berlin, have been forced to withdraw before fresh Russian forces advancing from Lvograd, Warsaw and Novogorodsk. The official statement continues: "At first the Russians did not follow and the withdrawal of our troops took place without difficulty. The reserve troops will change their formation according to the situation." The Russian general staff issued the following on operations in Russian Poland, Galicia and East Prussia: "In the battle which has been in progress for four days south of the Piltza river, in forests on the line extending from the Bialogora to Glogow, Policzna and Janowice, in Poland, our troops have inflicted upon the Austro-German forces a severe defeat. On the center, after fighting of an extremely desperate character, we succeeded in establishing a firm foothold on the border of a forest in the region of the villages of Adamow, Severinow and Marianow. On the left wing we captured by assault a defensive position established at Policzna, and enveloped a portion of the Austro-German troops. On the right flank in disorder towards the line between Edlinz, Radom and Tila. We captured both cannons and prisoners. "In Galicia the battle is raging along the whole front of the river San. We have taken an additional 10 officers and 500 men. South of Przemyśl our troops are advancing at certain points. "In East Prussia the enemy has violently bombarded our positions in the operations in the region of Bakalar Jowo. Repeated attacks all have been repulsed. The success which we have won to the south of Piltza, and the result of which was the retreat of the enemy on the main front, is of the very greatest importance."

ANOTHER REVOLT IN SOUTH AFRICA

De Wet and Bayers, Famous Boers, in the Field.

London, Oct. 28.—Another rebellion has broken out in South Africa. General Christian De Wet and General Christian Frederick Bayers, famous Boer leaders, have taken the lead of the rebels in the Orange Free State and western Transvaal. Having put down the rebellion in the northern province of Cape Colony led by Lieutenant Colonel Maritz, the government of the Union of South Africa, of which General Louis Botha is the head, now is faced by the more serious rising under Generals De Wet and Bayers, the latter of whom reigned the command of the Union forces when Premier Botha decided to take up arms against Germany. According to an official report, armed rebellious commandos are already in existence; the town of Heilbron, in the northern part of the Orange river country, has been seized, and the government officials have been taken prisoners, while a train has been stopped and armed citizens of the defense force have been taken from it and disarmed. General De Wet in the late South African war was commander-in-chief of the Orange Free State forces. Brigadier General Bayers was also a noted figure in the South African war and was chairman of the Vereeniging peace conference.

FAMINE THREATENS PEOPLE OF BELGIUM

Less Than Two Weeks' Food Supply in the Country.

Brussels, Oct. 27.—Nearly 7,000,000 people in Belgium face famine unless they receive help from the outside at once. The American minister to Belgium, Brand Whitlock, says that less than two weeks' supply of food remains in the cities, while conditions in the country districts are even worse. Though Germany has seized the food in some cities for her soldiers, she still disclaims responsibility for feeding the Belgians. Whitlock has had on hand only peasant's black bread for two weeks, and the supply of that is short. One

ATTACKS WEAKEN

And the Allies Report Gains in Belgian Campaign

OFFENSIVE MAY BE ABANDONED

Attempts of the Teutons to Break Through the Old Center in the Craonne Region Are Repulsed—News From Other Points in Battle Line Favorable to French—Estimate of Losses in Belgium.

Paris, Oct. 29.—General Joffre's dispatches indicate that the German attack in Flanders and France has passed the crest of power and is slowly weakening. The official reports were more favorable than at any time since the German armies began their new advance fifteen days ago, after the occupation of Ostend. The allies gained ground in Belgium to the north and east of Ypres, driving a wedge farther northward between the German forces near the coast and forces operating from Ghent and Brussels. The allies are said to have outfought the Germans and advanced in the region of La Bassée, the point for many days of incessant and violent effort by the Germans to cut the allied line in two. The official statement that the onslaught is moderating warrants the conjecture that the Russian victories in Poland, the advances of the French in Lorraine and Alsace and tremendous losses in killed and wounded in Belgium and northern France, are compelling the Germans once more to abandon an offensive campaign. Their dwindling opportunity in Belgium may have produced the new attempt to break through the allied line in the old center in the Craonne region, where it is officially reported they made violent attacks and were repulsed. The news from the battle line north, east and southeast of Verdun continues to be favorable to the French. Accounts of the battle in Belgium along the banks of the Yser agree that history contains scarcely a parallel in fierceness of fighting and enormity of losses on both sides. From Berlin comes the assertion that the Belgians have lost 10,000 men. English correspondents say that the Germans have so far lost approximately 16,000 in killed and 30,000 in wounded. The losses of the French and British in this zone of operations are surely very heavy, but no estimate of them is available. In the eastern section of France, however, the Germans claim that 40,000 Frenchmen have been killed and wounded in the conflicts around Verdun.

GREECE MAKES MOVE

Will Recapture Northern Epirus to Head Off Albanian Incursions.

London, Oct. 28.—Greece has notified the powers that she intends to recapture northern Epirus. She declares that the recapture is entirely provisional and will conform to the decision of the ambassadors' conference in London after the Balkan war, to which Greece subscribed last February. Among the reasons given by Greece for taking this step are the breakdown of the government of the Prince of Wied and his departure from the country, the necessity for ending the sanguinary anarchy in northern Epirus, and in order to protect Greece from Albanian incursions.

COURT MATTERS

Marriage Licenses Issued

Charles Plageman, through her attorney John G. Rorer and John Kramer, last Friday filed suit in Common Pleas Court against Frank H. and Irvin Harris, praying for judgment in the sum of \$5000, with interest from May, 1913. Plaintiff says that on May, 1913, she was owner of 30 shares of stock in the P. Recovery Hardware Co., and that on May 1, 1913, she induced plaintiff to deliver an assignment of plaintiff's stock to them without any consideration being made therefor, the plaintiff not knowing what she was doing.

WHERE DO YOU STAND, MR. VOTER?

In order to meet the deficit in the government's income, caused by a decrease in revenue receipts from importations, due to the European war, the Democratic party plans to raise temporarily \$107,000,000 a year by direct taxation. More than one-half of this tax is to be raised from intoxicating beverages—beer, whiskey, cordials and so forth. Two-fifths of the other half is to be raised from financial transactions, such as bonds, debentures, stock certificate issues, transfers and so forth, promissory notes, conveyances and so on, while the remainder, \$5,000,000 is to be raised from cosmetics and chewing gum and another \$5,000,000 is to be raised from tobacco. The Republican party is opposing this tax, and by so doing would stifle the government in its purposes by refusing adequate money to meet its legitimate expenses. The Democratic party stands for the distillers, the brewers, the financial interests and the tobacco trust. For whom do the voters stand?

THEIR IDEA OF HOME RULE AND PERSONAL LIBERTY

Liquor men do not believe in home rule, even in the home. In a Toledo house a "Vote Dry" card was displayed in the window. The house got busy, found out the man's name and where he was employed. In a few days the man's employer, with two or three neighbors, informed him the card would have to come down or he would lose his job. Not much home rule or personal liberty in this incident.

APPLICANTS GRANTED LIQUOR LICENSES

The following is the list of applicants to the Mercer County Liquor Licensing Board at Celina, for the renewal of liquor licenses, respectively, whose application was by the action of said board, duly granted at a meeting for such purpose, held October 27, 1914: Burkettville—Joseph Dresher, Celina—Michael J. Henner, Joseph J. Henner, William J. Wilson, Joseph J. Dresher, Frank Joseph Wolf, Otto Krehm, Edward J. Wilson, Leroy J. Wilson, Columbus—Charles Baker, Frances M. Baker, Recovery—Bryan & Burke, Steine & Vogel, Monticuma—Adrian C. Long, St. Henry—Vandell & Munderhous, Butler Township—Eugene M. Rosen, Gibson Township—Louis Heiders, Liberty Township—Fred Heffner, Perinton Township—Charles Heiders, Marion Township—Charles Weininger, Leo J. Travenchamp, Anthony Winkler, Washington Township—Mary A. Wellman.

DID YOU SAY FROST, CALAMITY JANE?

Congressman John J. Whitaker's tour of Democratic Northwestern Ohio came to an ignominious close in this city last Saturday night. Accompanied by Garman Staley, of Columbus, and Chairman Booz and Secretary Gilberg, of the Republican County Executive Committee, Whitaker arrived here on a special train from Greenville. After eating a hearty supper and being fed on "this is the county you carried over Governor Cox in the primary" as a rich desert, he was taken to the hotel and put in the park, where the tenor and bass drum part of the Celina band endeavored to draw a crowd. Nobody showed up and the Republican headmen and their speaker, a man without a party, moved to in front of the Court House, but here again no one could be tempted to leave the patent medicine man on the corner of Market street and the crowd went sorrowfully down the street. The latter was much disappointed in reception. He said he was in the county he carried over the Governor, and refused to make a statement on the position, when in the city, when he was for one by a Democrat reporter. Speaking of frost, did you hear Calamity Jane say that? This was the night when a freeze, oh, Calamity!

DAN CUPID VICTIMS

Matthew Tleck and Miss Mary Mertz, prominent young people living just north west of this city, were united in marriage at the Catholic Church last Tuesday morning. Rev. Ernest Heidele celebrated the nuptial mass. The bride is the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tleck, and the groom is a son of Fred Tleck. They were attended by Elizabeth Tleck, sister of the bride, and brother of the contracting parties. After the ceremony a sumptuous wedding reception was given at the home of the bride's parents.

THE GRIM REAPER

Richard Baker, aged 84 years, died on Wednesday morning at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Michael Garwick, near Negunee. Deceased was born at Chillicothe, Ohio, and was a resident of Negunee for the past thirty years. He was the active live was a blacksmith. He is survived by two sons and four daughters. Funeral services will be held at the Garwick home this afternoon.

ERASTUS ANNUAL MASQUERADE

The annual masquerade social will be held at Erastus Saturday evening, October 31. Ten cents admission at the door will be charged. All ticket holders will be served a large bowl of beef soup. Everyone far and near are cordially invited to mask and attend and enjoy themselves to the fullest extent.

BRYAN'S FINE TRIBUTE TO GOVERNOR COX

The consensus of opinion is that the second endorsement of Governor Cox and his administration by William Jennings Bryan will insure not only Mr. Cox's election, but that it will give to the governor one of the heaviest pluralities enjoyed by any Ohio elective official in recent years. The praise given to the Governor of Ohio by the nation's Secretary of State during the latter's Ohio tour two weeks ago was unusual in its warmth and it did from a man who usually is a conservative in his laudations. Mr. Bryan characterized Governor Cox as one of the young men destined to go higher and higher and to become a leader in the affairs of the country. Mr. Bryan left no doubt in the minds of his audience that the national administration is eager to see Governor Cox re-elected and to see the entire state ticket and the congressional candidates of the Democratic party placed in office. He placed the stamp of approval of President Wilson upon the entire Democratic state and congressional ticket in Ohio and urged especially that the Ohio voters elect Democratic congressmen as evidence of their faith in the President. "It will be idle for you to be in sympathy with the President unless you are in sympathy with him," said Mr. Bryan. Speaking in praise of Governor Cox, Mr. Bryan, at Dayton, said: "My primary object in coming to this state at this time is to present a brief review of what has been accomplished at Washington, that you might with more intelligence pass judgment upon the record of Woodrow Wilson. That is my primary object in coming; but the pleasure of my coming is much increased by the fact that I have an opportunity to say a word in behalf of a long-time friend and I close my two days in Ohio fortunately in the home of this friend. I remember Governor Cox many years ago, before he was congressman, and therefore before he was governor. I was drawn to him because he stood by me in the days that tried men's souls. I was drawn to him because in spite of all the

DEMOCRATS, SHOW YOUR COLORS

The Putnam County Sentinel well says, "let every man who has been honored or complimented by the Democratic party show his colors now. President Wilson and W. J. Bryan endorse this record Ohio Democracy has made. James M. Cox has carried out every order given to him by his party platform and by the amendments to the new constitution. If he had done less he ought to have been impeached and thrown out of office. Democrats never had greater reasons to be proud of the party than now. It rules the state and nation. Two years more will show the wisdom of every legislative act. The Democrat who wavers now will make the mistake of life time. Those who have enjoyed the pleasure and profit of Democracy for the past quarter of a century should not sink in their tents now when the enemy is assaulting our citadel."

WITH WHOM DO YOU STAND?

In giving the benefits of education to all children in Ohio on an equal basis, here is how the new school code operates. By making a uniform system in the State, it takes the high school to those that cannot go to the high school. It is better than the old system of haphazard. If you believe in giving your children and your neighbors children a chance, vote the Democratic ticket. If you don't, vote the standard ticket, Calamity Jane, Little Willie and all.

REVIEW OF THE EUROPEAN CONFLICT

On a battle front extending from Ostend, Belgium, to Belfort, near the Swiss border, Germans and the allies are still struggling for the mastery. Gains and losses have been reported by each side during the week ending Oct. 25. Along the Belgian coast British warships have been of material assistance to the allied troops, shelling effectively the German lines. A Paris dispatch, dated Oct. 25, states that German troops assailed the allies with undiminished vigor at Dixmude, Belgium, and near Bethune, France, and repulsed an attack by a large French force near Lille, which city the Germans still hold. Berlin states on the same date that the Germans, despite stubborn opposition, succeeded in crossing the Ypres canal with strong forces. An advance south-west of Lille is also reported. In the Argonne region the German officials claim to have gained ground. Along the river Oise the French and British defeated the enemy, who delivered a furious onslaught against the positions held by the allies. The Kaiser's forces were compelled to fall back. St. Petersburg reports that Germany's army of invasion, which attempted to besiege Warsaw, has been driven forty miles west of Warsaw. Russians have assumed the offensive all along the battle line in Poland and Galicia. Austrian attempts to force a passage of the river San have been repulsed. Russian advance columns have crossed the Vistula river above the Ilzanka.

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to attend the wedding of their brother which occurred at Columbus, Ohio.

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At St. Henry Sunday to Participate in Holy Name Parade

The first annual rally under the auspices of the Union of Holy Name Societies of the diocese was held at St. Henry last Sunday, and was attended by a monstrous crowd of men, women and children from this city, Coldwater and all the Catholic parishes in the south end of the county. It was quite a surprise and a big treat to see the monstrous parade, with almost fifteen hundred men in the line of march. The weather was delightful, an ideal autumn day and the big crowd and the mile long parade of members of the different holy name societies of the county was a sight rarely to be held.

THE PARADE

The parade was headed by twelve mounted members of the St. Henry society. Following them came the colored commandaries of the uniform rank, Knights of St. John, the several bands, the members of the clergy present and then the twenty one divisions, each representing a parish of the county. As an emphasis of their devotion to the Holy Name society, the members of the society, except the mounted horsemen, carried large banners, each with a name of the Virgin and a picture of the Virgin and child. The parade wound up at the Shrine of the Blessed Virgin at the rear of the Church, where open-air religious services were held. Here in the presence of the entire congregation the litany of the Holy Name was recited and the members renewed their pledge to refrain from all profanity and to use the language of the Holy Name. Following this Rev. Kunkler, pastor of the St. Henry Church, addressed the large assembly, and then turned back next year, thinking them for coming and with a few words of encouragement he then introduced Rev. John P. Cogan, of Piquette, and Rev. Bernard Heffner, who then addressed the assembly, lauding the aims and purposes of the meeting, saying that it was a magnificent occasion, and that it was a noble sight, such array of Catholic American citizens marshaling under their society and parish banners, wearing the badge of their faith, a public act of faith, showing to the world their devotion to their religion. You are banded together to wage a holy war against every trace of Americanism should wish you well. You have to-day renewed your pledges to lead a life of holiness, and your presence is a silent protest against taking the name of the Lord in vain. You are so many hands reaching out for greater optimism about the public welfare. It shows your loyalty to Church and Country and your devotion to the Holy Name. You are to continue along this line of fight against one of the greatest evils of the day.

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